

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

REGULAR OR DESIGN APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

USE OF DNA ENCODING PLASTID PYRUVATE DEHYDROGENASE AND  
BRANCHED CHAIN OXOACID DEHYDROGENASE COMPONENTS TO ENHANCE  
POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE BIOSYNTHESIS IN PLANTS

the specification of which:

(check one)

- [ ] is attached hereto
- [X] was filed on June 30, 1998 as Application Serial No. 09/108,020, and was amended on N/A.
- [ ] was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_, if any.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

### PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a) - (d) or §365(b) of any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT application which designates at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

#### Priority Claimed

_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year Filed)
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#### Priority Not Claimed

ANY FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), ON THE SAME SUBJECT MATTER WHICH HAS A FILING DATE EARLIER THAN THE EARLIEST APPLICATION FROM WHICH PRIORITY IS CLAIMED

_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year Filed)
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#### CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

<u>60/051,291</u> (Application Number)	<u>June 30, 1997</u> (Filing Date)
<u>60/055,255</u> (Application Number)	<u>August 1, 1997</u> (Filing Date)
<u>60/076,544</u> (Application Number)	<u>March 2, 1998</u> (Filing Date)
<u>60/076,554</u> (Application Number)	<u>March 2, 1998</u> (Filing Date)

**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S. APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. 120**

(complete this part only if this is a divisional,  
continuation or CIP application)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

_____	_____	_____
(Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status: patented, pending, abandoned)

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